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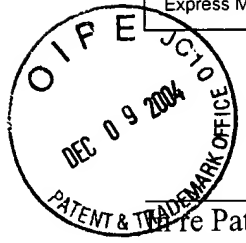
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William Gray et al.

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WIRE

Examiner: Michael H. Thaler

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2004, applicants re-submit herewith the entire "Amendments to the Claims" section of the above-identified U.S. patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.